Task Force 3-505 PIR

OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

Family Readiness Group Briefing

10 September 2003

Agenda

- TRICARE Brief
- Theater Update
- Rumors
- Notes from the Rear Detachment Team
- FRG Notes
- Upcoming Events
- Questions

TRICARE

TRICARE Options

TRICARE Standard

TRICARE Extra

TRICARE Prime

TRICARE Standard

- Fiscal year deductibles
- 20% cost share
- Space available at Military Treatment Facility
- Nonavailability Statement required for inpatient and obstetrical care

TRICARE Extra

- Variation of TRICARE Standard
- A TRICARE Standard patient seeing a TRICARE Prime provider
- 15% cost share after the deductible has been met

TRICARE Prime

- HMO-type option
- Enrollment required
- Assigned to a Primary Care Manager, either military or civilian
- No co-pays if care is authorized (does not include pharmacy)

Point of Service

Patient sees a provider without authorization

$300 individual deductible and 50% of the allowable charges

Tips

- Moving?
- Out of the area?
- Bills?

Theater Update

- Update on 3-505 casualties
- Publicity – 2 articles in Fayetteville Observer
- Moving again – Expect a commo blackout
- Living conditions continue to improve
- Send laundry detergent and plastic bags for washing clothes

Rumors

- Every soldier has/will have the opportunity to call
  - Phone time is split amongst 750 people. Please be patient!
- Re-deployment times
  - Still 6 months, but when does it start?
  - Reference OEF

Rear Detachment Team Notes

- OPSEC!!!
  - As communication increases, so must information protection
- Newsletter from forward
- Next big push into theater: 1st week of November
- Critical Information Criteria
  - Births
  - Serious accidents / mishaps / injuries
  - Financial Crisis
  - Legal Conflict (i.e. Power of Attorney no good)
- Non-Critical Information
  - No contact with soldier
  - Any incident you can handle yourself
  - Anything that can wait 2 weeks in the mail

Rear Detachment Team Notes

- Email
  - Make sure your account does not block “Bulk” emails
  - Thank you for your input – remember to use your chain of concern for issues
  - List of returned emails

FRG Meeting Schedule

- 1 October – Chaplain Programs
- 22 October – Army Community Services
- 12 November – Budgeting Class
- 3 December – Army Financial Assistance Programs

*** All times are 1330 and 1800 at the NCO Club ***

FRG Notes
(Sheila Johnson)

- **On the Home Front Newsletter**
  - E-mail Address: pantherwives3505@hotmail.com
- **Spencer's Layette Program**
  - Complimentary layette given to babies born after 9/11/2001 and father or mother was deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Contact Jewlee Knapp or Melanie Williams at (910) 907-7124.

Upcoming Activities

- Book Club
  - Saturday, September 20 at 7:00 at Barnes & Noble
  - Contact: Deana McCarty 848-0551
- Playgroup
  - Saturday, September 13 at 2:00 at Pope Park
  - Contact: Kim Henry 495-0541

Upcoming Activities

- Creative Memories Workshops
  - October 18, November 15
  - Contact Heather Cunningham at 426-0852
- De-stressing Yoga October 11 at 10:30
  - Free Childcare available.
  - Call ACS at 396-8682

BOOOOOOOOOO!!!!!!!

- **Halloween Party**-
  - October 25
  - Location and Time: To Be Announced
- A - Food
- B - Crafts
- C - Crafts
- D - Decorations
- HHC - Games

Questions?

Thank you for your efforts in the fight for freedom!!!